## **HOUSE RESOLUTION 408**

## By Odom

A RESOLUTION to honor and commend the stalwart House employees of the 106th General Assembly.

WHEREAS, we wish to specially recognize our House staff members, all of whom work long hours, without complaint and often under trying conditions, in service of this Body; and

WHEREAS, these outstanding public servants perform their essential duties splendidly, not for personal gain or glory, but rather for the satisfaction of helping to make Tennessee an even better place to live; and

WHEREAS, much like the venerable postman of days of yore, neither snow nor rain nor heat nor gloom of demanding Representatives stays these faithful employees from the swift completion of their appointed duties, and usually many times over; and

WHEREAS, the members of the House of Representatives would truly be lost without the invaluable services of the following staff members; and

WHEREAS, the diligent employees who serve in Speaker Kent Williams' office under the capable leadership of Chief Clerk of the House and Chief of Staff Burney Durham are: Scotty Campbell, Bertha Church, Bridget Fendler, Kelly Kirby, and Tammy Ward, and Sergeants At Arms Victor Thompson (Chief), William C. Howse, Bob Patton, Kenny Rainey, Wayne Steele, Tony Townsend, and Bobby Trotter; and

WHEREAS, the brave and bold members of House Leadership staff are: Reta Adams,
Terry Baxter, David Bone, Ron Campbell (Broadcast Officer), Skip Cauthorn, Takarra Clark,
Brent Easley, Scott Gilmer, Ross Nichols, Ethan Page, Addison Pate, Carol Roberts, Stephanie
Shackelford, Carol Simpson, Carolyn Slaughter, Mary Ellen Tate, Sharon Walden, and Kara
Watkins; and

WHEREAS, the outstanding employees of the House Clerk's office are: Assistant Chief Clerk Tammy Letzler, J.B. Brown, Andre Carpenter, Jessica Clayborn, Kim Cox, Lance Eastman, Daniel Hicks, Carling Hughes, and Allison Weir; and

WHEREAS, Chief Engrossing Clerk Betty Kay Francis is fortunate to have the services of Wanda Choate, Larry Cole, and Frances Warren in her always busy office; and

WHEREAS, the supremely gifted, yet humble, House Research Analysts, who serve under the astute guidance of Director Denise Sims, are: Patrick Boggs, Daniel Culbreath, Jeremy Elrod, Clement Ledbetter, Jeremy Maxwell, Amelia Mitchell, Judy Narramore, Todd Staley, Julie Travis, Will Walker, and Lucy Wilson; and

WHEREAS, the heart and soul of the House is truly its Administrative staff, which includes: Joan Achuff, Mary Adair, Ruth Adams, Steven Altum, Donna Anderson, Luke Ashley, Matt Bailey, Dorris Barnes, Tara Bezawada, Laura Bond, Linda Bowers, Delano Brent, Angela Brown, Janice Bryson, Carol Burroughs, Juana Cain, Faye Cashion, Rena Clark, Patricia Collins, Amy Darnall, Mary Ann Doty, Lisa Falkenbach, Robbie Farmer, Kyle Faulkner, Kristin Fosbinder, Cindy Franks, Rochelle Frazier, Nikki Goeser, Cheryl Goodson, Valerie Haines, Michelle Hale, Tamara Hanserd, Janice Hayes, Margie Heaney, Kourtney Hennard, Jennifer Hines, Vanessa Horner, Lenekra Hill, Tina Hunt, Diane Irwin, Audrey Jenkins, Chase Johnson, Barbara Jones, Brittney Jones, Debra Julianna, Pamela Laub, Liz Leonard, LaWanda Lollar, Rob Martin, Tammy Martin, Pam Mason, Kelley Mathis, Herbert McFadden, Susan McMahon Berry, Jennifer Murphy, Jessica Myers, LaDonna Nelms, Paul Overholser, Ruth Patterson, Regina Patton, Sharon Peters, Stephanie Peterson, Connie Phelps, Phyllis Piercy, Jan Pirtle, Marianne Purcell, Ann Radford, Kim Reasonover, B.L. Rhodes, Christopher Rogers, Sandy Sain, Moreen Scruggs, Michelle Smith, Sherry Smith, Allyson Sneed, Susan Story, Blair Strange, Catie Stroud, Celeste Thomas, Cyndie Todd, Anna VanEaton, Mary Watts, Debra Webb, Tuwania Wells, and Jennifer Young, and session assistants, Jessica Barroll, Robert Leedy, Kelley Shirley, and Lizzy Thornton; and

WHEREAS, each of these superlative House staff members is essential to the efficient and orderly operation of this Body, and it is fitting that we pause in our deliberations to express

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our deep appreciation for the professional services they render so competently and so cheerfully; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE
HUNDRED SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, that we hereby
honor and commend the exemplary employees of the House of Representatives for the diligent
and proficient manner in which they perform their respective duties, their dedication to public
service as evidenced by their willingness to work long after normal office hours, and for their
unwavering loyalty to the members of this Body.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation to each of the above named persons, with this final clause omitted from such copies.

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